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**Subject:** MICROSOFT SETTLEMENT

Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to have my voice heard during the 60-day public comment, granted to the settlement of US vs. Microsoft and the ongoing lawsuit.

Microsoft has done nothing but prove that the American dream is alive a well, make a better product and the people will buy it. They have supplied our country with affordable and easy to use software. I for one had never had or used a computer, before March of 2000. I purchased a new Gateway w/ windows 98 2nd edition, and I was up and running in just one day. No classes, just learned from what was supplied to me. I AS A CONSUMER WAS NOT HARMED IN ANY WAY!!

Microsoft has contributed greatly to our national gross product, and kept American software standards in constant motion. They have provided thousands of American with jobs. Not to mention the great generosity of the Gates Foundation.

I believe that the lawsuit should be dismissed, if that is not possible, then the closure is absolutely necessary in order to continue the prosperity of our country and implore Senators and local legislators to stand up for the American people and the American principle. Let Microsoft keep doing what they do best, especially considering they've already accepted the proposed settlement forced on them.

Keep the Federal Court from having to deal with this nonsense issue any longer.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter and I hope you, along with other government heads are really considering the American consumer. WE HAVE NOT BEEN HARMED.

Sincerely,

Ed Biever Sandwich, IL.

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